

opinion

Maybe this time will be different

Yet another term has started at Clackamas Community College and this is the term in which new Associated Student Government officers are chosen.

Last year's campaign was filled with promises of student government growing up. Well it did grow up.

With very few exceptions, this year's student government has been as boring as the real thing. At least last year's body had some voices of dissention in it.

There has been dissention in this year's student government but for the most part the senate has been a pack of sheep that follows whoever exerts the most authority.

Last year's campaign also showed that elections can

be held without the benefit of a forum for candidates to face the students head on. There will be a forum this time around so the students will have more to go on than posters with meaningless phrases on them.

The idea of a forum has been tested once this year already. During the senate elections one was held in which a total of six out of 22 student senate nominees participated. Hopefully, this time around the candidates will participate more fully.

In spite of last year's farcical election of officers some good people were chosen. The problem is that it was more by accident than anything else.

This year our hopes are high that some good people will be chosen on purpose.

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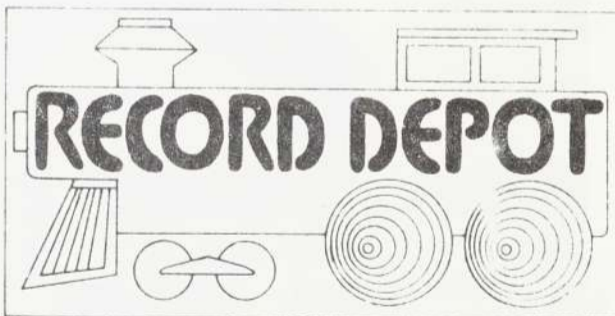
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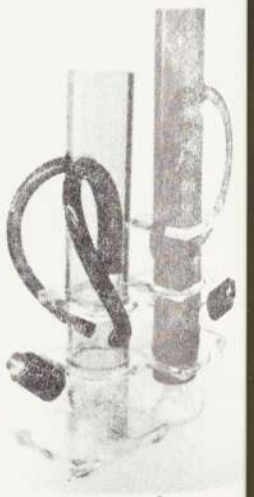
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